

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Briefing Note on the Department  
of Defense December Schedule  
of Reconnaissance Activities

1. We do not consider any of the proposed reconnaissance activities particularly sensitive. The first item, [redacted] is listed as a Category II in terms of sensitivity. We doubt that this proposed flight is even that sensitive. The plan calls for coming no closer than 45 miles to Sakhalin, the area of a previous violation, and, with the warning services provided to the craft if there is hostile reaction to the mission on its planned track, escape should be an easy matter. In any of these missions there will be only the normal irritation at the fact of reconnaissance.

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2. For the most part the reconnaissance activities are in keeping with past patterns.

3. Recommendations: That you support the DOD Reconnaissance Schedule for December.

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